

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

SB 177 - HB 171

February 23, 2013

SUMMARY OF BILL: Broadens the exclusion from access to child care agencies and adult day care centers to a person convicted of neglect or indicated by the records or registry of the Department of Children's Services or the Department of Human Services for neglect.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Under current law, persons who are convicted of gross neglect or listed on the indicated perpetrators of abuse registry or department records maintained by the Department of Children's Services and the Department of Human Services for neglect are generally prohibited from accessing adult day care centers and child care agencies as employees or volunteers or department licensing staff.
- According to the Department of Human Services, the indicated perpetrator registry maintained by the Department of Children's Services currently records persons as indicated for abuse or neglect and does not use the terminology "gross neglect".
- Tenn. Comp. R. and Regs. 250-7-9, relative to classification of a report of abuse or neglect as indicated by the Department of Children's Services, defines and uses the terminology "neglect".
- According to the Department of Human Services, the proposed legislation will make the terminology used by the two departments consistent.
- According to the Department of Human Services, the fiscal impact of the bill on the Department will be not significant.
- According to the Department of Children's Services, the bill does not affect Department procedures. The fiscal impact of the bill on the Department will be not significant.
- According to the County Technical Assistance Service and the Municipal Technical Assistance Services, the fiscal impact of the bill on local governments will be not significant.

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CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Lucian" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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